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Office of the Regional Administrator / Region I

July 5, 2002

Wendy E. Warring, Commissioner Division of Medical Assistance Executive Office of Health and Human Services 600 Washington Street Boston, Massachusetts 02111

Dear Ms. Warring:

I am pleased to inform you that your June 14, 2002 request for an amendment to the Massachusetts home and community-based services (HCBS) waiver for mentally retarded and developmentally disabled individuals, as authorized under Section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act (the Act), is approved. This waiver amendment is assigned control number 0064.92.R2.05, which should be used in any future reference or correspondence. A copy of the approved waiver amendment is enclosed.

You submitted this amendment proposing to eliminate the choice of option number six (the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR 435.217) on page C-2 in Appendix C – Eligibility and Post-Eligibility, of the approved waiver. You anticipate that there will be no adverse affects on any MassHealth members resulting from this change to your treatment of post-eligibility, and consequently no change in the number of recipients served or to waiver cost projections. You requested that the change be effective July 1, 2001.

Since this amendment complies with the requirements of Section 1915(c) of the Act, I have approved the effective date for this amendment as requested by the State. If you have any questions concerning this amendment, please call Nancy Grano at (617) 565-1695.

Sincerely yours,

Lynda F. Silva Acting Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc:

Ellie Shea-Delaney, Massachusetts Division of Medical Assistance Margaret Chow-Menzer, Massachusetts Department of Mental Retardation Mary Jean Duckett, CMS Central Office

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